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§ 1.98

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Sir:

The references cited on attached PTO-1449 and 892 forms are being called to the attention of the Examiner to make of record references cited in parent application USSN 09/415,183 filed October 7, 1999. An additional 1449 form citing an additional reference is also enclosed. A copy of the newly cited reference is enclosed. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d), copies of references cited in parent application USSN 09/415,183 filed October 7, 1999 are not provided. However the applicants will gladly provided fresh copies of any references requested by the Examiner. It is respectfully requested that the cited information on the

previously submitted 1449 and 892 forms for application USSN 09/415,183 filed October 7, 1999 and the newly submitted 1449 form be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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